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DEVELOPMENT OF NEW HARBOURS
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to develop new harbours during the Eleventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Kerala; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) to (c): The development of ports and capacity addition through construction of new berths and terminals is an ongoing process depending on the cargo projections and requirements of the maritime trade for the future. The Eleventh Five Year Plan has projected that the overall traffic handled by the ports will be 1008.95 Million Tonnes (MT) by 2011-12 with the Major Ports handling 708.09 MT. To meet the projected increase in traffic, the Eleventh Five Year Plan has proposed feasibility and locational studies for developing some more ports. The development of the non-major ports is the responsibility of the respective State Government and the Eleventh Five Year Plan has projected that the capacity of the non-major ports is expected to increase from 228.31 Million Tonnes per Annum to 575 Million Tonnes per Annum.